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Lana Gordon, Secretary Sam Brownback, Governor

Fact Sheet

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July 2013 Labor Report

- Kansas gained 23,300 private sector jobs since July 2012, a 2.1 percent increase. Kansas gained 21,300 nonfarm jobs over the year, a 1.6 percent increase.
- Over the month, private sector jobs increased by 800, or 0.1 percent. Kansas lost 18,100 nonfarm jobs, a 1.3 percent decrease since June.
- The July 2013 unemployment rate in Kansas was 6.2 percent, up from 5.8 percent last month and down from 6.3 percent one year ago.
- The July 2013 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.9 percent, up from 5.8 percent in June 2013 and up from 5.8 percent in July 2012.

Learn about the difference between seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted numbers here.

Over-the-Year Gains/Losses

- Eight of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over-the-year job gains. These gains were greatest in:
 - Professional and business services increased by 9,800 jobs, a 6.4 percent gain. Growth was throughout the sector.
 - Leisure and hospitality gained 4,000 jobs, a 3.2 percent increase. The gains were in accommodation and food services.
 - Trade, transportation and utilities rose by 2,900 jobs, or 1.1 percent, with gains in the entire sector.
- Three major industries reported statewide over-the-year job losses. These were in:
 - Government lost 2,000 jobs or 0.8 percent. Losses were at the federal and local levels.
 - Construction lost 900 jobs or 1.6 percent. Losses were in heavy and civil engineering construction and specialty trade contractors.
 - Other services lost 200 jobs or 0.4 percent.

Over-the-Month Gains/Losses

- Eight of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over-the-month job gains. These were greatest in:
 - Professional and business services gained 2,300 jobs, an increase of 1.4 percent.
 - Construction gained 300 jobs, an increase of 0.5 percent. Gains were in construction of buildings and heavy and civil engineering construction.
 - Mining and logging grew by 200 jobs, a 1.9 percent increase.
- Three major industries reported statewide over-the-month job losses. These were in:
 - Government lost 18,900 jobs or 7.5 percent. Losses were principally seasonal at the local level.

- Manufacturing lost 1,900 jobs or 1.1 percent. Losses were in both durable and non-durable goods.
- Education and health services lost 800 jobs, a 0.4 percent decrease. Losses were seasonal in educational services.
- There were 14,264 initial claims for unemployment benefits in July 2013, up from 13,284 initial claims in June 2013 and down from 16,646 last year. There were 131,851 continued claims in July 2013, up from 106,824 the previous month and down from 181,322 in July 2012. These numbers include all available programs.

The August Labor Report will be released on September 19, 2013.

Quotes

Lana Gordon, Secretary of Labor

"Over the past three months we have observed an increase in the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate. Part of the reason of increases in the previous months was due to more individuals entering the labor force."

Efua Afful, Labor Economist

"The number of jobs created over the year is encouraging. Over the month, the private sector gained some jobs but did not perform as well as expected."

Current Conditions: July 2013

Not Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate	6.2%
Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate	5.9%
Learn the difference between the rates <u>here</u> .	
Initial Claims (all programs)	14,264
Non-Farm Jobs	1,360,900
Civilian Labor Force	1,510,382
CPI-Midwest(change since July 2012)	1.8%

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